

# You spoke, we listened v.

The Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning is committed to maintaining an ongoing exchange of information between us and you, the residents of Hacienda Heights. You have a lot to teach us about your community, your issues, and your vision for the future. We are here to provide technical expertise and to answer any questions you may have about the Community Plan Update. **When you speak, we listen.**

We've created this form to respond to questions you've asked during community meetings. The information provided is in response to inquiries received at the **February 27, 2008 Community Presentation** Meeting. We hope this information will be useful as we continue the Community Plan Update Process. Please let us know what you think!



## **YOU ASKED:** *When are trash cans allowed on front lawns?*

**ANSWER:** Los Angeles County Utilities Code, or Title 20, specifies when trash containers are allowed at collection points. Specifically, Section 20.72.110 states that, "no person shall place any solid waste, or any container containing solid waste, at any place of collection before 5:00 p.m. of the day preceding the scheduled collection of said solid waste, or leave any such container at the place of collection after 8:00 p.m. on the day of actual collection, or more than two hours after actual collection, whichever is later." \*

## **YOU ASKED:** *How and when will the Community Plan be implemented?*

**ANSWER:** The Hacienda Heights Community Plan is scheduled to be adopted by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors by the end of this year. Once the Plan is effective, some things will be implemented immediately. For example, new development that is proposed in Hacienda Heights will have to be consistent with the updated Plan. Other parts of the Plan will take some additional time to be implemented, such as large-scale capital improvement or development projects. The Plan will include an implementation program which will set out in detail how and when things will be implemented. Several planning tools are available to implement Community Plans. These include development of design guidelines and special regulations specific to Hacienda Heights to help achieve the vision laid out in the Plan. In addition to these tools, the Department of Regional Planning is working with other county agencies, such as the Departments of Parks and Recreation and Public Works, to make sure that they are aware of and accountable for implementing the parts of the Plan that fall under their purview. Finally, community members have a crucial role to play in making sure that the vision laid out in their Plan is implemented. By organizing to address local issues, advocating for change, and partnering with county service providers, community members can help implement the Plan.

## **YOU ASKED:** *How will the Community Plan Implementation be financed?*

**ANSWER:** Los Angeles County expenditures are financed by federal, state, and local revenues. Federal and state revenues are generally available primarily for specific human services. Local sources of funds include the County's share of the property tax, vehicle license fees, sales and use taxes, and fines and charges for services. These are the primary funding sources for public protection, recreation and cultural services, and general government services. (Source: LA County Annual Report 2007-2008) Funds are allocated to each County Department during the yearly budgeting process, which is the responsibility of the Board of Supervisors. Once the community Plan is adopted, it will serve as the blueprint for development in Hacienda Heights. The Plan will tell County agencies what the priority projects are in Hacienda Heights, and it will guide them as they seek and allocate funding for specific developments. For more information on the County's latest budget, please visit <http://lacounty.info/budget.htm>

